Blendon Township Board Meeting Minutes July 16, 2018

- 1. Bill Vanden Berg, Township Supervisor, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
- 2. Invocation by Pastor Aaron Vriesman.
- 3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.
- 4. Roll Call. PRESENT: Phil Del Lange, Robin Overway, Bill Vanden Berg, Greg Golembiewski, Jim Vander Veen
- Motion to approve the agenda with the addition of adding Item G under New Business, discussing the bathroom renovations, and Item H, discussing the Assessor's Sub-Committee report, made by Greg Golembiewski, supported by Phil De Lange.
 Motion Carried.
- 6. Motion to approve the minutes dated June 18, 2018, made by Greg Golembiewski, supported by Robin Overway.

 Motion Carried.
- 7. Motion to approve the Invoices dated June 19, 2018 through July 16, 2018, including an addendum, made by Jim Vander Veen, supported by Greg Golembiewski.

 Motion carried.
- 8. Treasurer's Report submitted by Greg Golembiewski.
- 9. Clerk's Report given by Robin Overway.
- 10. Supervisor's Report given by Bill Vanden Berg.
- 11. Opportunity for Public Comment:
 - a. Kevin Markovich of 4694 Sheldon Ct had a couple questions regarding the proposed South Blendon Vista apartments.
 - The Board took significant time to explain the application process for a SLU and to answer Mr. Markovich's questions.

12. Monthly Reports

- a. Fire Department Activity Report Report submitted by Fire Chief Kurt Gernaat.
- b. Police Activity Report June report submitted by Deputy Jewell for review.
- c. Assessor Report No report submitted.
- d. Cemetery Sexton Report No report submitted.
- e. Building Permit Report Reviewed by the Supervisor.

- f. Building and Grounds Report Report submitted by Fire Chief Kurt Gernaat.
- g. Zoning Administration Report No report submitted.
- h. Planning Commission Minutes Recapped by Trustee Jim Vander Veen.
- i. ZBA Minutes No report submitted.

13. Tabled Business

a. Motion by Greg Golembiewski, supported by Robin Overway, to un-table regravel of the roads.

Motion Carried.

Board discussed which roads are the worst and needed to be worked on.

Motion by Phil De Lange, supported by Greg Golembiewski, to cross reference with the Road Commission for their 2019-2022 gravel road plans, and to gravel the 2 miles that run on 84th Ave from Port Sheldon to Tyler and 76th Ave from Port Sheldon to Van Buren, not to exceed the \$30,000 budget.

Motion Carried.

b. Motion by Bill Vanden Berg, supported by Greg Golembiewski, to keep the Borculo Community Center revision tabled.

Motion Carried.

14. New Business

- Motion by Bill Vanden Berg, supported by Phil De Lange, to nominate Greg
 Golembiewski to the Safety Service Board replacing Don Vander Kuyl's term until
 2020.

 Motion Carried.
- b. Motion by Bill Vanden Berg, supported by Jim Vander Veen, to approve Resolution # 2018-07.01 for the street light on 56th and Port Sheldon.

Roll Call Vote: Phil De Lange, Yes; Robin Overway, Yes; Bill Vanden Berg, Yes;
Greg Golembiewski, Yes; Jim Vander Veen, Yes
Resolution Adopted.

c. Motion by Jim Vander Veen, supported by Greg Golembiewski, to approve Resolution # 2018-07.02 establishing a temporary moratorium on consideration and approval of farms with sales and entertainment facilities.

Roll Call Vote: Phil De Lange, Yes; Robin Overway, Yes; Bill Vanden Berg, Yes; Greg Golembiewski, Yes; Jim Vander Veen, Yes

Resolution Adopted.

- d. Motion by Jim Vander Veen, supported by Phil De Lange, to change fees on gravesites to \$450 for residents and \$750 for non-residents for the new section with the concrete ribbons poured.
- e. Discussed transfers and buy backs of gravesites. No decision needed to be made.
- f. Discussed opportunities to receive federal funding for Safe Routes to School program for the sidewalks on Borculo and 48th and Port Sheldon.
 Motion by Jim Vander Veen, supported by Greg Golembiewski, for Williams & Works to conduct research on these grants.

Phil De Lange was excused to leave from the meeting at 8:55 p.m.

g. Motion by Bill Vanden Berg, supported by Greg Golembiewski, for authorization to sign the contract with JH Custom Construction to do the bathroom renovations at Blendon Township Hall and stay at the \$16,350 limit.

Yays: 3 Nays: 1 Motion Carried.

h. Discussed the Assessors Sub-committee report. Sub-committee believes the Township needs a private individual due to the growth of Blendon. Would like to hire an Assessor for full time.

Motion by Jim Vander Veen, supported by Robin Overway, to have the Subcommittee post the position and interview individuals within 30 days, or go with Ottawa County if the position cannot be filled. Motion Carried.

- 15. Correspondence and Information
- 16. Second Opportunity for Public Comments: None.

17. Upcoming Events

- a. Safety Services 7/26/18
- b. Planning Commission 8/14/18
- c. Township Board 8/20/18

18. With no other business to be brought before the Board, a motion made by Greg Golembiewski, seconded by Jim Vander Veen, to adjourn the meeting at 9:29 pm.

Motion carried.

Recorded by Dyanna Solis, Administrative Assistant Submitted by Robin Overway, Township Clerk